

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 7035

By Fraley

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Vera Koger upon being named Mrs. Democrat of 2005 by the Highland Rim Democratic Club.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate for this General Assembly to commend those individuals whose energy and enthusiasm bring vigor and excitement to the political process of their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, Vera Koger is one such dedicated local political activist, who, throughout her life, has embraced the political process through her recognition of the necessity of citizen involvement and her own personal participation; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Koger is an important part of her community, serving the Democratic Party and the people of Coffee County in numerous capacities as an active and respected citizen of Tullahoma; and

WHEREAS, born in Yazoo City, Mississippi, Vera Koger graduated from the University of Mississippi and earned her Master of Library Science degree from the University of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Koger is most thankful for the love and companionship of her husband, Bob; they are the proud parents of four children, and they have seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, while raising her family, Vera Koger volunteered with campaigns whenever possible and worked at the Democratic Headquarters in Tullahoma; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Koger helped organize the Coffee County Democratic Women during the early 1970's and served as the organization's Vice President and President at various times; she was also Treasurer of the 4th District Democratic Club; and

WHEREAS, after moving to Knoxville, Mrs. Koger joined the Knoxville Democratic Women; and

WHEREAS, after moving back to Tullahoma in 1993, Mrs. Koger rejoined the Coffee County Democratic Women and presently serves as the group's Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, a politically passionate citizen, Mrs. Koger is an active member of the Highland Rim Democratic Club, which she has served as both Secretary and Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, Vera Koger exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Koger's sterling record of unstinting dedication to and support of her party and her community are worthy of commendation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we congratulate Vera Koger upon being named Mrs. Democrat of 2005 by the Highland Rim Democratic Club, thank her for her ongoing commitment to a vital political life for all Tennesseans, and wish her every success in all future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.